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Written statement* submitted by Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement, which is hereby circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Messenger of peace of Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society (IAPSRS NGO)

Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society (IAPSRS NGO) introduces Hoora Mousavi as messenger of peace of this CSO in line with fostering the culture of pace and declaring its resolute opposition to war in Middle East.

Ms. Hoora Musavi is one of people those who was injured during childhood as a result of Islamic Republic of Iran-Iraq war.

Hoora Musavi is an Iranian girl that had been living in one of the Iraqi border villages in Iran-Iraq War. Beacause of Saddam's order, Hoora with her family were expelled from the country and displaced.

Finally, she did physical injured while she was migrating to Sardasht.

In spite of all the physical problems, such as lack of a hand and many burns, Hoora works as a volunteer in support of children and vulnerable women in the NGO. Furthermore, she has established one of the centers of the NGO, which is currently managed by her.

This service center like many others is located in marginalized neighborhoods within which children who are at risk or deprived of education and deprived women are provided with supports and relief services for free.

There are more than 4000 vulnerable children and women under support of the NGO from different ethnicities and religions, which Hoora is the messenger of all these people.

She aims to convey the message of peace and its necessity in different societies, with emphasis on the sharing of religions and equality of human rights and sanctifying of the children's rights.

Therefore, Hoora Mousavi has always been actively engaged in various programs of the NGO. Recently, she has announced peace declarations of the NGO in Persian Football League that is held to mark the occasion of international peace day with nearly involvement of 1000 deprived children of different ethnicities. Moreover, she went to the hard-hit area as an ambassador after occurrence of earthquake in Kermanshah with the relief team of the NGO and announced peace message of the NGO.

During the year, she is also lecturing about the necessity of the peace in the present world as the messenger of suffering of children at various universities in Iran.

As a person who has experienced suffering in his life in different stages of his life, her exemplary endurance and perseverance can be considered as a pattern for all human societies.